

BULLETIN THREE

An update for neighbors
and interested citizens
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This is the third of periodic bulletins prepared by Parametrix and PDC to keep citizens informed of an EPA-funded brownfields assessment and redevelopment planning project occurring in the South Waterfront portion of the North Macadam Urban Renewal Area. The project's purpose is to help move redevelopment forward by determining environmental conditions of key area properties as well as educate the public about brownfields issues.

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Learn How the South Waterfront Brownfields Assessment Project is Progressing at an Open House on February 25

Are you interested in how environmental issues are being addressed on some properties in the South Waterfront District? Would you like to learn more about brownfields, particularly how they are assessed and redeveloped as safe and attractive places to live and work? Would you like an update on the South Waterfront Brownfields Assessment project and how this relates to redevelopment plans in the District?

If you live or work in the Corbett-Terwilliger-Lair Hill or Homestead neighborhoods or if you have been captivated by the changes afoot in South Waterfront, you won't want to miss the public open house scheduled for February 25. In addition to a presentation on the ongoing EPA-funded assessment project from 6 to 7 p.m., the informal gathering will provide opportunities to talk with PDC and city staff and several environmental experts, review maps, and pick up helpful handouts.

Specifically, the open house will offer:

- * Discussion of the project's purpose and relationship to the city's approved South Waterfront Plan.
- * A brief, general overview of brownfields and introduction to an educational "primer" document explaining brownfield terms and redevelopment processes. The primer will be available at the open house and posted on the PDC web site (www.pdc.us) shortly following the open house.
- * A presentation on the assessment project, including results of the project's Phase 1 study and the process and criteria used to select sites for more detailed study. Presentations will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

- * Handouts with additional information on the brownfields assessment process and sites under consideration for more study. Information will also be available on several proposed new public facilities such as the tram and waterfront greenway.

You Are Invited

What: Public Open House for the South Waterfront EPA Brownfields Assessment Project

When: Wednesday, February 25, 2004
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Presentation: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: 1900 SW Fourth Avenue
Room 2500B (second floor),
Portland

Who: Representatives from PDC, City agencies, Parametrix consulting team, OSU Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities Program, DEQ and EPA.

Why: To present project updates and brownfields informational handouts as well as provide an opportunity for interested citizens to talk with our brownfields experts.

- * Representatives from PDC, Portland Parks and Recreation, Portland Office of Transportation, Parametrix environmental consulting team, Oregon State University Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities Program, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be available to answer your questions.
- * Citizens will have opportunities to provide comments orally or in writing throughout the evening.

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